



## **ISSUES/DESCRIPTIONS REPORT**

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**WSBK-TV Boston**

WSBK-TV Boston, MA  
Quarterly Issues/Program List  
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Attached are listings of broadcasts or broadcast segments, which, in the station's judgment, reflect the station's most significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the preceding three-month period.

### **PROGRAM INDEX**

**WBZ-TV News at 10PM on TV38** – WBZ-TV News at 10PM on TV38 is anchored by Kate Merrill. The newscast delivers a contemporary half-hour of news filled with comprehensive coverage of local politics, community events, medical updates, and issues of importance to the community. In addition, issues related to government, politics, business, financial issues, corruption and crime are explored in-depth during the station's newscasts.

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## **WBZ-TV News at 10PM on TV38**

### **Business and Political:**

10/1/12

Jon Keller discusses the second Senate debate.

10/10/12

Jon Keller has a wrap up of the third Senate debate.

10/11/12

Christina Hager reports a Natick company is developing better armor for female soldiers.

10/22/12

Ken MacLeod reports an auction is being held for Curt Schilling's items from his failed business.

10/26/12

Christina Hager reports power companies are preparing for the storm.

11/2/12

Jim Armstrong previews the Senate race.

11/5/12

Lauren Leamanczyk previews the Presidential elections. Additionally, Jim Armstrong speaks with Elizabeth Warren the day before the election and Beth Germano speaks with Senator Scott Brown.

11/8/12

Karen Anderson reports Ameridose is having layoffs following the deadly meningitis outbreak.

11/13/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports Mayor Menino remains hospitalized with a broken back.

11/14/12

Karen Anderson reports on the hearing in Washington for the pharmacy at the center of the meningitis outbreak.

11/22/12

Jim Armstrong reports on black Friday at the Wrentham Outlets.

11/26/12

Jim Armstrong reports on cyber Monday.

12/10/12

Joe Shortsleeve reports on open road tolling and the possibility of new tolls.

12/11/12

Bobby Sisk reports Amazon will start charging tax for Massachusetts customers next year.

12/12/12

Beth Germano reports the Tim Cahill corruption case has ended in a mistrial.

12/13/12

Jim Armstrong reports Susan Rice will not take the job as Secretary of State.

12/21/12

Bill Shields reports President Obama chose Senator John Kerry as the next Secretary of State.

### **Health and Medical:**

10/3/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports on the deadly meningitis outbreak linked to a Framingham pharmacy.

10/8/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports the deadly meningitis outbreak is growing worse.

10/16/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports Federal investigators served warrants on the Framingham pharmacy linked to the meningitis outbreak.

11/16/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports a Massachusetts woman may be the first case in the state of meningitis linked to the deadly outbreak.

11/19/12

Paul Burton reports a Lynn teen's death means life for others through organ donation.

11/27/12

Paul Burton reports medical marijuana will soon be able to be bought at Med boxes around the state like Red Box for movies.

12/5/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports on a carbon monoxide scare in Mattapan.

12/25/12

David Wade reports researchers show how overly complimenting your kids may have a negative effect.

**Law, Safety and Security:**

10/1/12

Christina Hager reports an American Airlines' plane has loose seats for the second time in three days.

10/2/12

Christina Hager reports American Airlines is inspecting other planes for loose seat problems.

10/5/12

Jim Armstrong reports three women were killed in a car crash in the harbor in Newport, Rhode Island.

10/8/12

Jim Armstrong reports two MBTA trolleys collide on the green line injuring three people.

10/9/12

Jim Armstrong reports a missing grad student was found in the Charles River. Additionally, Christina Hager reports an Upland landlord is accused of spying on female tenants. Also, Kate Merrill reports former Penn State coach Jerry Sandusky has been sentenced to life in prison for the abuse of the boys.

10/10/12

Beth Germano reports police are looking for three young men accused in a series of robberies on the Boston University campus. Additionally, Jim Armstrong reports a missing 10-year-old girl from Colorado is linked to Maine, but ultimately there was no connection.

10/12/12

Jim Smith reports on a deadly eight car pile up in Brockton.

10/15/12

Jim Armstrong reports investigators are still looking for the body of a University of New Hampshire student killed and dumped in the water. Additionally, Lauren Leamanczyk reports the family of a woman killed in the eight car pile up in Brockton wants answers.

10/18/12

Beth Germano reports a van driver is accused of getting drunk and taking off with a blind student from the Perkins School.

10/22/12

Christina Hager reports four teens are accused of raping a college student at University of Massachusetts Amherst.

10/23/12

Christina Hager reports Woburn police officer Robert DeNapoli who was injured in a jewelry heist speaks for the first time. Also, Paul Burton reports a New Hampshire restaurant owner saves an elderly woman from choking.

10/24/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports a tugboat flipped over in Portsmouth, New Hampshire and two men are able to jump to safety.

10/25/12

Jim Armstrong reports a Newton grad student was raped in the school's bathroom.

10/31/12

Jim Smith reports an Amber alert has been issued for a Westfield baby, she was found in Virginia with her mother.

11/2/12

Beth Germano reports a model was brutally beaten in Charlestown.

11/8/12

Jim Armstrong reports a Natick woman saves the life of a teen trapped in a burning room.

11/13/12

Jim Armstrong reports a Wellesley doctor is accused of getting drunk and smashing into an elderly driver.

11/14/12

Beth Germano reports Whitey Bulger's girlfriend asks for a reduced sentence.

11/15/12

Beth Germano reports a New Bedford hockey coach is accused of soliciting children for sex online. Additionally, Lauren Leamanczyk reports a New Hampshire woman is carjacked by people who pretended to be broken down. It turned out the woman made the story up.

11/16/12

Beth Germano reports a North Shore woman threatened to blow up a fire station, a police station, and the library in Peabody.

11/19/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports a New Hampshire couple is on the run after burning a little boy and leaving him at the hospital. Also, Jim Armstrong reports a Quincy man is accused of running down his wife and son.

11/20/12

Jim Armstrong reports a teen girl is kidnapped and sexually assaulted in Attleboro.

11/21/12

Jim Armstrong reports a bird hits the cockpit of a plane on Cape Cod and has to make an emergency landing.

11/22/12

Michael Rosenfield reports a New Hampshire boy falls down a laundry chute, but survives with only a few bumps and bruises.

11/23/12

Jim Smith reports on a gas explosion at a strip club in Springfield. Additionally, Christina Hager reports how the gas explosion has affected the surrounding area.

11/26/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports a violent home invasion in New Hampshire targets a doctor and his wife. Additionally, Paul Burton follows up on the strip club explosion in Springfield.

11/27/12

Christina Hager reports an elderly man is missing after a house fire in Lowell. Also, Jim Armstrong reports an unregistered sex offender was arrested after attacking a woman at a Beacon Hill apartment.

11/29/12

Jim Armstrong reports an MBTA crash injures 35 people. Additionally, Kate Merrill reports a new law helps victims of abuse be reunited with their pets.

11/30/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports a man is wanted after trying to kidnap a girl after her dance class in Concord, New Hampshire. Additionally, Jim Armstrong follows up on the MBTA train crash.

12/3/12

Christina Hager reports the family of a Worcester woman hit and killed in a crosswalk is angry over no charges being filed against the driver.

12/4/12

Kate Merrill reports a little boy from Plaistow, New Hampshire is back home after his parents beat him then fled the state. Additionally, Christina Hager reports on a wild police chase that ended in Fall River.

12/5/12

Jim Armstrong reports the MBTA operator who caused s train crash was fired.

12/6/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports a Wakefield man who ran a daycare is accused of abusing dozens of children. Also, Jim Smith reports a Boston University grad student was hit and killed by a truck driver.

12/7/12

Beth Germano reports on a Columbine style threat at Methuen High School. Additionally, Jim Smith reports a New Hampshire dog owner is irate after her pet was killed in a hunter's trap.

12/10/12

Christina Hager reports how the Worcester District Attorney fended off a robber at a restaurant. Also, Bill Shields reports on a serial home invader in Duxbury.

12/11/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports a man who owns a home in Salisbury is accused of posing as a doctor to give women "exams." Additionally, Christina Hager reports an Army vet upset over anti-Obama signs is now charged with damage of property.

12/13/12

Christina Hager reports on a coyote warning after an attack on the Brandeis campus.

12/14/12

Jonathan Elias reports on the details of the shooting rampage at an elementary school in Connecticut. Karen Anderson reports how parents heard about their children being killed in the shooting. Christina Hager reports on the investigation into the mother killed at home in Newtown, Connecticut. Michael Rosenfield reports the uncle of the Connecticut shooter lives in New Hampshire and is being interviewed by police. Additionally, Paul Burton reports how local schools deal with security.

12/17/12

Christina Hager reports on the investigation into the shooter in Newtown, Connecticut.

12/18/12

Jim Smith reports a fishing boat is missing off the coast in Gloucester.

12/19/12

Bill Shields reports on a wild police chase and shooting in Lynn. Additionally, Jim Armstrong reports on the latest information in the Newton shooting.

12/20/12

Jim Smith reports police are looking for the people responsible for shooting bb guns at school buses in Haverhill.

12/21/12

Jim Smith reports a large sheet of metal fell off the side of the Callahan Tunnel, partially shutting down the tunnel.

12/24/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports a person was struck and killed by a tractor trailer at Saint Elizabeth's hospital.

12/26/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports on snow storm coverage in Worcester. Additionally, Jim Armstrong reports on snow storm coverage in Fitchburg.

12/28/12

Jim Armstrong reports on snow storm preparations in Canton. Additionally, Karen Anderson reports two young boys were rescued after being trapped in a swamp in Halifax.

### **Community and Culture:**

10/1/12

Jim Armstrong reports a wealthy North Shore man donates money to help save a shelter from closing.

10/2/12

Ken MacLeod reports a doctor is trying to ban football in New Hampshire.

10/3/12

Beth Germano reports a New Hampshire girl made a brave decision to shave her head for a charity, but ended up getting bullied at school as a result.

10/12/12

David Wade talks with Suni Williams about being on the international space station.

10/18/12

Jim Armstrong reports the mayor is upset over a plan to give away vibrators outside city hall.

10/24/12

Beth Germano reports on storm preparations on the South Shore.

10/25/12

Beth Germano reports on preparations for Hurricane Sandy.

10/26/12

Jim Armstrong reports how the North Shore residents brace for Sandy. Additionally, Beth Germano reports how the South Shore is preparing for the storm.

10/30/12

Christina Hager reports on local power outages after Sandy. Also, Lauren Leamanczyk reports on the devastation in New York City from Sandy.

10/31/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports New York City is recovering from Sandy. Additionally, Bill Shields reports on power outages in Massachusetts.

11/1/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports on the damage from Sandy in New Jersey. Additionally, Jim Armstrong reports a few families in Massachusetts are still without power from Sandy.

11/7/12

Beth Germano reports on a surprise snow storm. Also, Jim Armstrong reports snow storm coverage from the South Shore. Additionally, Bobby Sisk reports the storm has caused heavy rain and flooding in the North Shore.

11/12/12

Jim Armstrong reports a Worcester water main break shuts down water to the city. Additionally, Lauren Leamanczyk reports a pair of pants is found that investigators believe belong to Caleigh Harrison who disappeared in Rockport.

11/29/12

Beth Germano reports on the Cambridge power outage.

12/6/12

David Wade reports a Leominster man known as Mr. Christmas continues to make decorations well into his 90s.

12/7/12

Bill Shields reports Cape Cod middle school students have launched balloons to learn more about space; the project is funded by a NASA grant.

12/14/12

Jim Smith reports a vigil is held at a church for victims of the deadly shooting in Newtown.

12/17/12

Bill Shields reports on the funerals from the Connecticut school shooting. Jonathan Elias reports on the memorials in Newtown for the victims. Additionally, Jim Smith reports on local vigils being held for the Newton victims.

12/18/12

Christina Hager reports how Newtown is dealing with the horrible shooting tragedy. Additionally, Bill Shields reports on today's funerals from the Newton shooting.

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12/20/12

Jim Armstrong reports students in Newtown created t-shirts as a show of solidarity as the head back to class.

12/24/12

Michelle Roberts reports for the last thirty years a North Shore man has been dressing up as Santa and bringing cheer to those who are sick.

12/25/12

Bobby Sisk reports a Braintree firefighter is helping gather donations to help the victims of Newtown.

### **Non-News Programming:**

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### **What’s in Our Community**

10/10/12: What’s in Our Community highlights Angel Flight New England. President Larry Camerlin along with volunteers Jim Cear and Carol Shapiro came in to talk about helping WBZ account executive Ben Newman during his battle with pancreatic cancer, becoming an “Earth Angel” and the 15<sup>th</sup> annual “Evening of Angels” event.

10/31/12: What’s in Our Community highlights Perkins, formerly Perkins School for the Blind. President Steven Rothstein came in to discuss the name change, a new product called the “Smart Braille,” the Disability Job Fair and the Perkins Holiday Concert.

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